

# Message from the Chief May 14, 2012

Dear Tempe Police Employees,

In celebration of National Police Week and in memory of those we have lost, the Arizona Republic featured several pages of memorials and appreciation for public safety members in the Friday May 11 Valley and State section, including our own contribution to thank Tempe officers, past and present.

The stark and distressing fact is that across our nation, 48 law enforcement officers were killed in the line of duty in 2009. 56 officers were killed in 2010. 72 were killed in 2011. You deserve the highest commendation for approaching the job on a daily basis with honor, integrity, loyalty and dedication – not just words on our logo, but as a measure of actions day in and day out despite all the challenges.

I want to remind all of you that your safety is the highest priority for me and the entire command staff. You have my continued commitment to do everything in my power to assure that you go home to your families at the end of your shift. For those Tempe Police families who have lost loved ones in the line of duty, or any sad circumstance, it is truly an honor and a privilege to serve as your Chief.

Sincerely,

Tom

## Terry Roe We Want To Thank You

For Protecting and Serving: Your Community Your City Your Neighbors Your Family

For always being the helping hand for everyone. For being the good man that you are. We love you and We are proud of you.

Cheryl, Paul & Rachel, Katie & Clay IN HONOR OF

Ret. Fire Capt. Robert T. DeFriese

Who served Phx. for 35 1/2 yrs. in a job he loved.

His version of the "E ticket ride".

Thank you for your service,

Your loving wife and family

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### In Loving Memory of

Mike Hendricks Paramedic June 24th, 1992 Tammy Mundell E.M.T April 28th, 2004

Renee Johnson Paramedic December 14th, 2004

Jeff Lown Paramedic

Mark Vernick

Died in the line of duty serving the citizens of Arizona We will never forget!

International Association of Firefighters Local I-60

In Loving Memory of DETECTIVE: **RUSS WELKER** 

END OF WATCH: MAY 17, 2009

CITY OF TEMPE We love and miss you beyond words. Today we beyond words. Today we honor you our son. Your cherished memory lives deeply on in our tender learts." Well done good and faithful servant" Love, your eternal family, Mont & Dad Terry & Kathy, sister Holly Welker Amarillas and better in law Bollass. and brother-in-law Rober Amarillas, wife Kathrine Welker, and children Cassie and Brooke.

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JEFF (JT) THOMAS CAPTAIN/PARAMEDIC

GLENDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Your Family is Proud of You!!

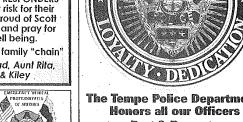


## J. SCOTT KING

A very dedicated fireman who has always loved his job and displaying his talents in a fire to his co-workers and others on a daily basis.

We as Scott's family salute SCOTT and his brotherhood of "FIRST RESPONDERS" for putting their lives at risk for their communities. We are proud of Scott and his chosen career and pray for your safety and well being.

We miss your "link" in our family "chain" With our love, Mom. Dad. Aunt Rita. Connie, Kris, Jay & Kiley



April 21st, 2007

January 8th, 2010

MATT & LUKE CITY OF PHOENIX FIRE DEPARTMENT

Past & Present.

Who have served our Community

With Devotion & Professionalism.

We will never forget.

I would like to thank my son, grandson, all the firefighters, officers & their families for their dedication in helping others. Thank you for your service to vour state & community. So proud of you

Love Mon





## RUBEN FLOREZ JR

FIREFIGHTER, PARAMEDIC FIREFIGHTER, PARAMEDIC Son, you have been stude a blessing to us. You have made us very proud especially when you chose the profession of becoming a Firefighter. What an honor it must be to go to the aide of those in need, but most important what an honor and blessing it is to be at the side of those whose time has come and no longer can pray for themselves but have you for themselves but hav at their side to pray for them

God Bless you, Love Mom and Dad

## Patric R. "Ron" Manes U. S. Forest Service - Tonto Nat'l Forest, Retired

The men and women who are 1st responders make ou country great. To these people we owe a heart felt thank you for all they do.

God Bless those who suffer from the aftermath of their devotion.

## With hope we face tomorrow, knowing one day we will see your face again! We miss you Travie-Pie! Love, Mom and Martin DAD, you would be so proud of your grandson, who knew he would follow in your footsteps Joseph Sobarzo Captain Spencer Snyder Sun City West Fire Department So very proud of both of you Love your mom & daughter Yolanda

Phoenix Police Officer E.O.W. - May 26, 2010

forever in our hearts!